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2022 Voter Guide

Implementation Tips for Librarians



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Overview

CalMatters is a nonpartisan and nonprofit news organization bringing Californians stories that probe, explain and explore solutions to quality of life issues while holding our leaders accountable.

Our mission is to improve California's democracy by making its government more transparent and accountable and give Californians the information they need to understand and engage with that government.

Making California a better place for all is our North Star.

Our collaboration

CalMatters partnered with the California State Library to provide nonpartisan news about state government and public policy, as well as a comprehensive set of 2022 election resources, to libraries across California for access by all library patrons.

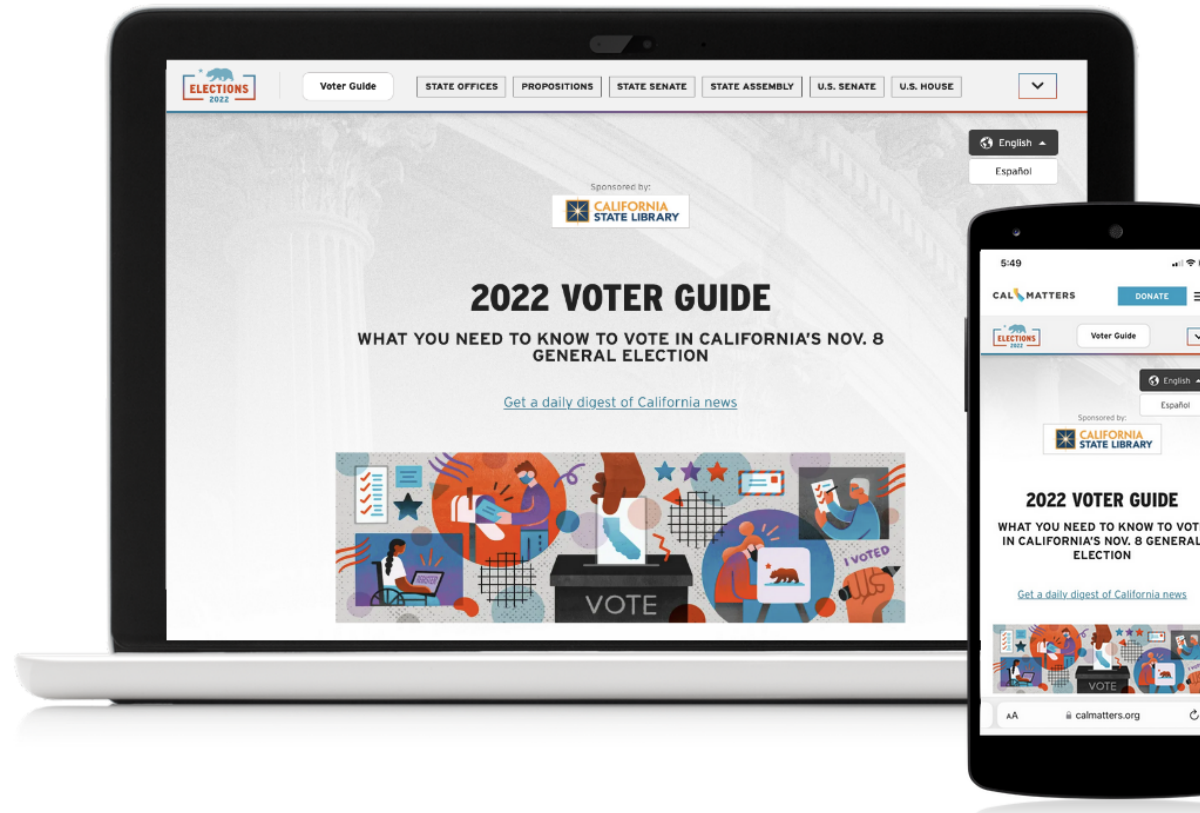
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Where to access

[CalMatters website](https://calmatters.org/vote)

calmatters.org/vote



How to navigate

Use the top menu bar to explore different sections of the guide.



Click State Offices, State Senate, State Assembly, U.S. House or U.S. Senate.

Click Propositions to dive into the seven propositions on the ballot with 90-second explainer videos.

Click Voting FAQ for answers to common reader questions.

Click the arrow in the top right corner to expand the menu or scroll down the page to see all options.

Choose a language

Press the arrow on the top right corner to choose the language.



We're proud to offer the guide in both **English** and **Spanish**!

Related resources: Include Spanish version of the guide into Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month communications with patrons (newsletter, website, social media). Host events to explore the Voter Guide with Spanish-speaking voters.

Nonpartisan journalism effort

CalMatters reporters, editors, data journalists, visual journalists and product designers worked together for thousands of hours to create this comprehensive guide.



CalMatters video journalist Byrhonda Lyons. Photo by Anne Wernikoff for CalMatters.

Find representatives with district look-up tool

Find Your Districts

Type street address

☒ All ☐ US House ☐ State Senate ☐ State Assembly

We do not store your address. [Privacy Policy](#) →

● Democrat ● Republican ● American Independent ● Green ● Libertarian ● Peace & Freedom ● No Party



Find Your Districts

Long Beach, CA 90804, USA

☒ All ☐ US House ☐ State Senate ☐ State Assembly

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We found the following districts that match your search:

US HOUSE
District 43   Hot Race

John Briscoe ● Robert Garcia

STATE SENATE
District 33

No data for this year

STATE ASSEMBLY
District 69

Josh Lowenthal ● Al Austin D

● Democrat ● Republican ● American Independent ● Green ● Libertarian ● Peace & Freedom ● No Party

Enter your city, zip code or address to identify candidates running in your districts. Filter by job positions and by party affiliation. A fire icon shows heated races to watch.


Activity: Enter the address for the library or a patron, review the information about the candidates who are running to represent that community, the sources of their financing and endorsements.

Candidate comparison by key topics

Understand where statewide candidates stand on quality-of-life issues.

Related resources: Refer patrons to the CalMatters sections about each of the key topics:

[Housing](#) [Health Care](#) [Higher Education](#)

 Key Topics

Where Candidates Stand on the Issues

JUSTICE

HOUSING/HOMELESSNESS


ECONOMY

HEALTH CARE

ENVIRONMENT

K-12 EDUCATION


HIGHER EDUCATION




Californians are increasingly [concerned about crime](#), though the [numbers paint a more complicated picture](#). Many Republicans are seeking to pounce, blaming voter-approved Proposition 47, which eight years ago lowered some crimes from felonies to misdemeanors. While more Democrats are talking tough, they're not proposing a return to longer prison sentences.

What specific measures would you support to address crime, given growing public concern?

[Expand All +](#)

 **Brian Dahle**

“We need to fund public safety in a manner that is appropriate to get the job done. And that is done obviously at the local level. ... We've shoved our responsibilities down on the local level. They're drowning... It's basically a revolving door. They don't have the personnel.”

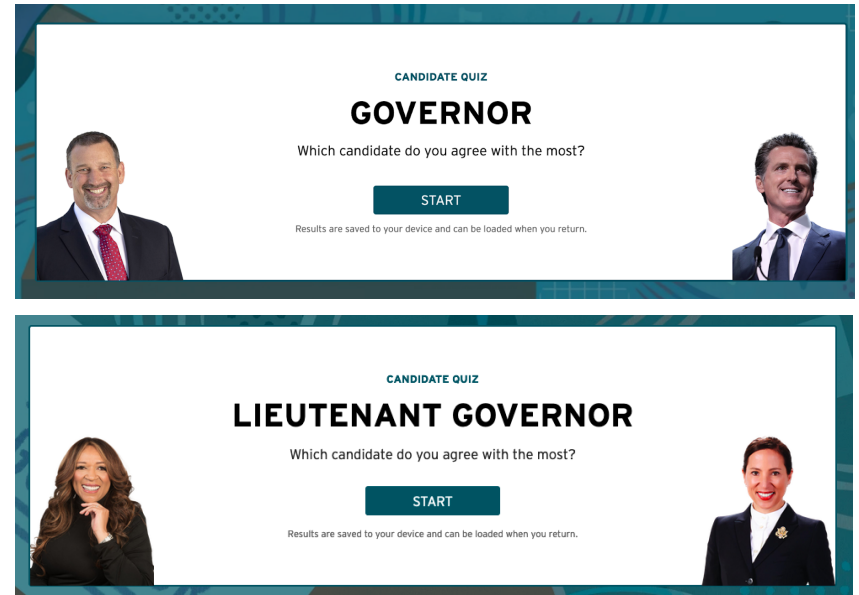
 **Gavin Newsom**

“1. Bolstering local law enforcement response to stop and apprehend criminals 2. Ensuring prosecutors are holding perpetrators accountable 3. Getting guns and drugs off our streets.”

Candidate quiz

Play a game to identify which statewide candidate aligns with your views on quality-of-life issues. Save the results as a PDF to help you cast your ballot.

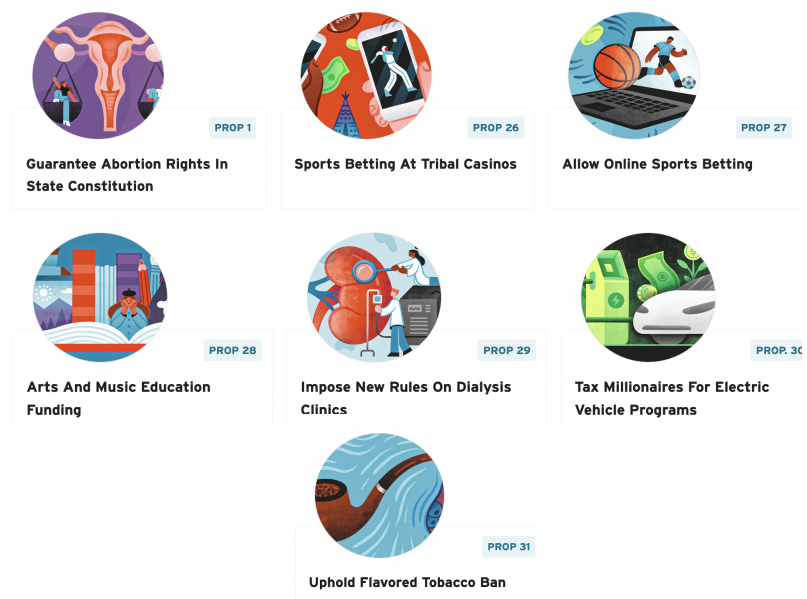
Related resources: Refer patrons with limited access to electronic devices to print a copy of their results at the library. This would be handy for them when filling out their ballots.



Award-winning Props-in a Minute videos

Navigate through all seven propositions — understand what each would do, why it is on the ballot and arguments for and against.

Related resources: Host a pizza party at your library branch and invite patrons to watch the 1-minute video series about the seven propositions. Then, open the event for discussion. Refer to [Pizza and Politics slide](#) for guidelines.



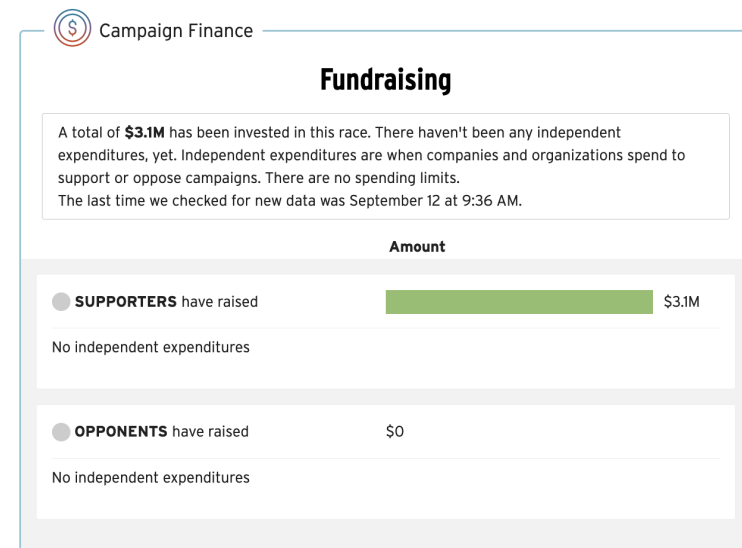
Proposition fundraising tracker

Gain clarity on who are the supporter and opponent groups, amounts raised and who is financing each proposition. See a list of media endorsements.

Related resources: Refer patrons to the Voter Guide proposition section to explore each ballot measure.

[Prop 1](#) [Prop 26](#) [Prop 27](#)

[Prop 28](#) [Prop 29](#) [Prop 30](#) [Prop 31](#)




Interactive game "Gimme Props"

Play and print the “Gimme Props” game to decide where you stand.

Quiz lets you save your results, share with friends and/or restart and play again.

Related resources: Encourage patrons to save or print quiz results to help them fill out their ballot.



PROP. 1

Guarantee abortion rights in state constitution

A ballot measure quiz

START

< QUIZ YOURSELF ON ALL THE PROPS

Results are saved to your device and can be loaded when you return.

PROP. 1

QUESTION 1 OF 5

Should someone who's pregnant have the right to decide whether to have an abortion?

I agree

I disagree

I need more information

< BACK

PROP. 1

RESULTS



Looks like you may support Prop. 1.

You can learn more about this prop by checking out our [minute-long video](#) or getting [more details here](#).

SAVE AS PDF

SHARE QUIZ

RESTART

< QUIZ YOURSELF ON ALL THE PROPS

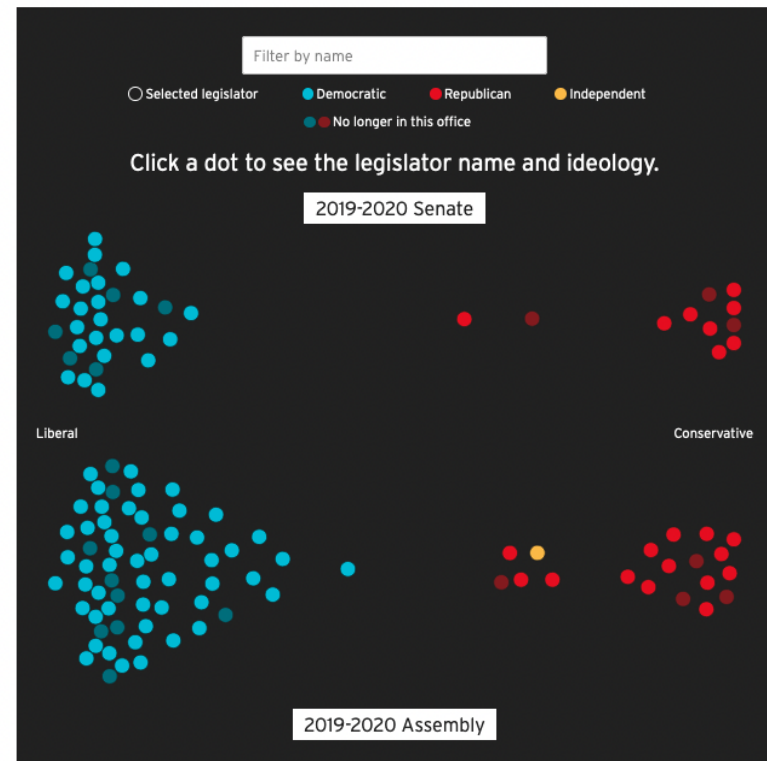
Glass House Legislative Tracker

Access comprehensive profiles of the 120 state Senators and Assembly Members and track your elected representatives.

Activity: Enter the address for the library or a patron, review the information about a particular legislator who represents that community, and review the ways they've voted and the sources of their financing.

How liberal or conservative are your legislators?

Each legislator is placed on the spectrum depending on the votes they cast in the 2019-20 session. [Methodology](#) →



Ask us a question

Explore our FAQ section and send your inquiries to our news team.

Activity: Instruct patrons to visit Frequently Asked Questions sessions to gain clarity about voting registration, mailing-in ballot, ballot incidents, and additional resources.

[More Voting FAQs >](#)



Ask us a question ★

What do you want to know about voting in the November general election?

Email (required for possible response)

Type your question here

LET US KNOW

Pizza and Politics

Our journalism informs the community every day, and our Voter Guide helps you make important decisions every election.

Now with Pizza & Politics, we're encouraging you to share our 2022 Voter Guide and some pizza to make critical nonpartisan information available to more people.



And please share your successful parties with us so we can tell the story of participation in the election.

Stickers: Learn more (and get free stickers to give out) at calmatters.org/pizzaandpolitics.

Thank you!

Questions? Comments? Suggestions?

We would love to hear from you!

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